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1. A barrier defining a width and height for vehicles as might be found on a loading dock, comprising:

a pair of vertical side members, each composed of metallic elements covered by a

4 polymeric sheathing; and

a horizontal member, also comprised of a metallic element covered by polymeric

6 sheathing, spanning the two vertical members,

the horizontal member defining a height distance with respect to the loading

- 8 platform into which the vertical members are received.
- 2. The barrier of claim 1, wherein the horizontal member has a length which extends beyond the outermost extent of the vertical side members.
- 3. The barrier of claim 1, wherein the vertical side members have a length which extends beyond the upper extent of the horizontal member.
- 4. The barrier of claim 1, wherein the vertical side members and the 2 horizontal member are attached by way of a removable fastener.
- 5. The barrier of claim 1, wherein the vertical side members and the horizontal member are attached by way of a saddle weld.